

To: The Federal Communications Commission
Re: Proceeding 02-278
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I work many hours a day away from home and spend 90% of my time on the phone. The Indiana Telephone Privacy act has made what little family time that I have in the evening much more enjoyable. I to help my children with their homework and eat supper as a family, this is the only meal that we get to eat together.

Before the Indiana Telephone Privacy act we would often receive 2-3 calls daily during suppertime from solicitors. Often these calls would last into the night as late as 11pm. I leave for work at 5am in the morning and do not return home until 6pm. These late calls make sleeping very difficult. For the last two years we have not had to worry about this. We only have maybe one call a month.

If I want to purchase something I will go to a store, or get on the Internet and look for it. I do not need people (often rude and pushy) calling my home at all hours and interrupting what little time that my family has together.

My wife and I have discussed this and if the Privacy act goes away we will have our telephone service taken out. With Internet and cell phones, hard-wired telephones are not needed like they once were. I don't feel that I should pay for a service so people can call my home and interrupt and upset me whenever they want.

I don't feel that protecting my and my family's right to privacy is in any way a threat to anyone else's rights.

Thank you,

Rodney Frith